

## SECOND CONSIDERATION

### AGENDA ITEM X-L

Consideration of adopting amendments to Sections 4.83 and 4.85(b) of Board rules, concerning student eligibility requirements for dual credit courses and appropriate college readiness assessment requirements (Second Consideration)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt amendments to Section 4.83 and 4.85(b)

#### Summary:

At the January 2004 Board meeting, amendments were proposed to Sections 4.83 and 4.85(d) to address college readiness standards for dual credit students caught in the transition between the outgoing Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) and the implementation of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

Adoption of Section 4.83 would simply include a definition of TAKS in Chapter 4 of Board rules.

Adoption of Section 4.85(b) would establish college readiness assessment requirements under TAKS for dual credit students who are high school juniors and seniors. In addition, a differentiation in college readiness standards would be established for academic/general education as different from workforce education students. Students enrolling in academic/general education courses would be required to meet the college readiness standard while workforce education courses would be required to meet the high school graduation standard.

The Board staff recommends a change to the amendment to Section 4.83(b) as proposed in order to provide clarification about dual credit eligibility for students qualifying under the standards for the tenth grade TAKS. Students demonstrating eligibility based on the tenth grade TAKS must do so for those sections relevant to corresponding academic/general education courses. For instance, if a student achieves the college readiness standard for mathematics and not for English Language Arts, s/he is eligible to enroll in academic/general education courses relevant to mathematics only.

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Summary of comments received:

No written comments were received.

Legal Review:

Approved by the Office of General Counsel \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The amendments have been prepared in the following format:

- New language is in lowercase, underlined, and shaded.
- Deleted language is bracketed and struck through.
- When new language replaces deleted language, the new language precedes the deleted language.